

PHILADELPHIA WATER DEPARTMENT
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO LH INTERROGATORY SET #III

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES TO
LANCE HAVER'S INTERROGATORIES (SET III)
AND
REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS
QUESTIONS 3, 16 and 21**

Dated: May 2023

LH-III-3. IN THE LAST 5 YEARS, THE NAME OF ANY AND ALL VENDORS HIRED TO PREFORM SERVICES FOR PWD THAT WERE NOT LOCATED IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA. SPECIFICALLY, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NAME OF THE COMPANY AND ITS LOCATION THAT WAS HIRED TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO SCHEDULE METER REPLACEMENTS AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ITS CONTRACT, THE NAME AND LOCATION OF THE COMPANY HIRED TO DO METER READING AND BILLING IF THE OFFICES ARE BEING RENOVATED, PLEASE SUPPLY THE CONTRACT FOR THE RENOVATIONS, THE TOTAL COST OF THE RENOVATIONS AND WHO APPROVED THE RENOVATIONS

RESPONSE:

The Water Department does not maintain a separate list of the requested data.

Please refer to the following website for additional information regarding the City's procurement processes:

Link: [Procurement Department | Homepage | City of Philadelphia](#)

[Web Address: https://www.phila.gov/departments/procurement-department/](https://www.phila.gov/departments/procurement-department/)

Please refer to the following website for available retrospective reports regarding awarded contracts:

Link: [FY23_2nd Qtr_10.1.22_12.31.22_DRAFT.xlsx \(phila.gov\)](#)

[Web Address: https://philawx.phila.gov/ECONTRACT/Documents/frmpdfwindow.aspx?](https://philawx.phila.gov/ECONTRACT/Documents/frmpdfwindow.aspx?)

[docid=95Q54N&ext=pdf&orig_name=FY23_2nd%20Qtr_10.1.22_12.31.22_com
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Please also the following reports from the City’s use of minority-, women-, and disabled-owned businesses participating on contracts (including the Water Department’s contracts):”

Link: [Office of Economic Opportunity Annual Reports | Department of Commerce
| City of Philadelphia](#)

Web Address: <https://www.phila.gov/documents/office-of-economic-opportunity-annual-reports/>

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LH-III-16*. IN FY 2023 PWD SOUGHT AND RECEIVED “A MID-YEAR” TRANSFER FROM THE CITY’S GENERAL FUND, ACCORDING TO PWD STATEMENT 2 PAGE 6. HOW DID THE PWD DECIDE HOW MUCH TO ASK FOR? PLEASE SUPPLY ANY AND ALL WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WITH ANY AND ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS SHOWING PWD REQUEST A HIGHER AMOUNT THAN WHAT PWD RECEIVED.

RESPONSE:

PWD did not request a mid-year transfer from the City’s General Fund. The mid-year transfer cited in the above question is a transfer within the Water Fund and represents a mid-year budget increase request.

Information regarding the mid-year transfer is available here:

Link: [City of Philadelphia - File #: 220869 \(legistar.com\)](#)

[Web Address: https://phila.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899616&GUID=74A30F43-B69C-48E6-86E9-CFE05545BBB9&Options=ID%7cText%7c&Search=220869](https://phila.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5899616&GUID=74A30F43-B69C-48E6-86E9-CFE05545BBB9&Options=ID%7cText%7c&Search=220869)

PWD’s mid-year transfer request was needed to cover increased operating expenses related to chemical and power costs, among others. PWD did not request General Fund support for these expenses, nor did the Water Department receive any funds from the General Fund as a result of this budget increase request.

Please also refer to PWD Rebuttal Statement 5, Schedule GA-1.

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LH-III-21*. PLEASE STATE AS OF TODAY, HOW MUCH IS IN THE RATE STABILIZATION FUND, WHERE THE FUND IS KEPT, IF THE BANK THAT THE FUNDS ARE KEPT IN HAS ANY RETAIL BRANCHES IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, EMPLOYS ANY PHILADELPHIANS, MARKETS MORTGAGES TO PHILADELPHIA RESIDENTS.

RESPONSE:

Refer to the City's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report:

Link: [FY 2022 - Printer's Proof Version #3.pdf \(phila.gov\)](#)

[Web Address: https://www.phila.gov/media/20230322104950/annual-comp-financial-report-FY-2022.pdf](https://www.phila.gov/media/20230322104950/annual-comp-financial-report-FY-2022.pdf)

As presented on pdf page 41 of 230, the Rate Stabilization Fund Balance at the end of FY 2022 was \$139.7 million.

The Rate Stabilization Fund is specifically held at US Bank. US Bank has a branch in Philadelphia.

The City of Philadelphia Treasurer's office determines the bank which holds the Rate Stabilization Fund.

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